

Experimental and numerical plasticity analysis of heterogeneous welds

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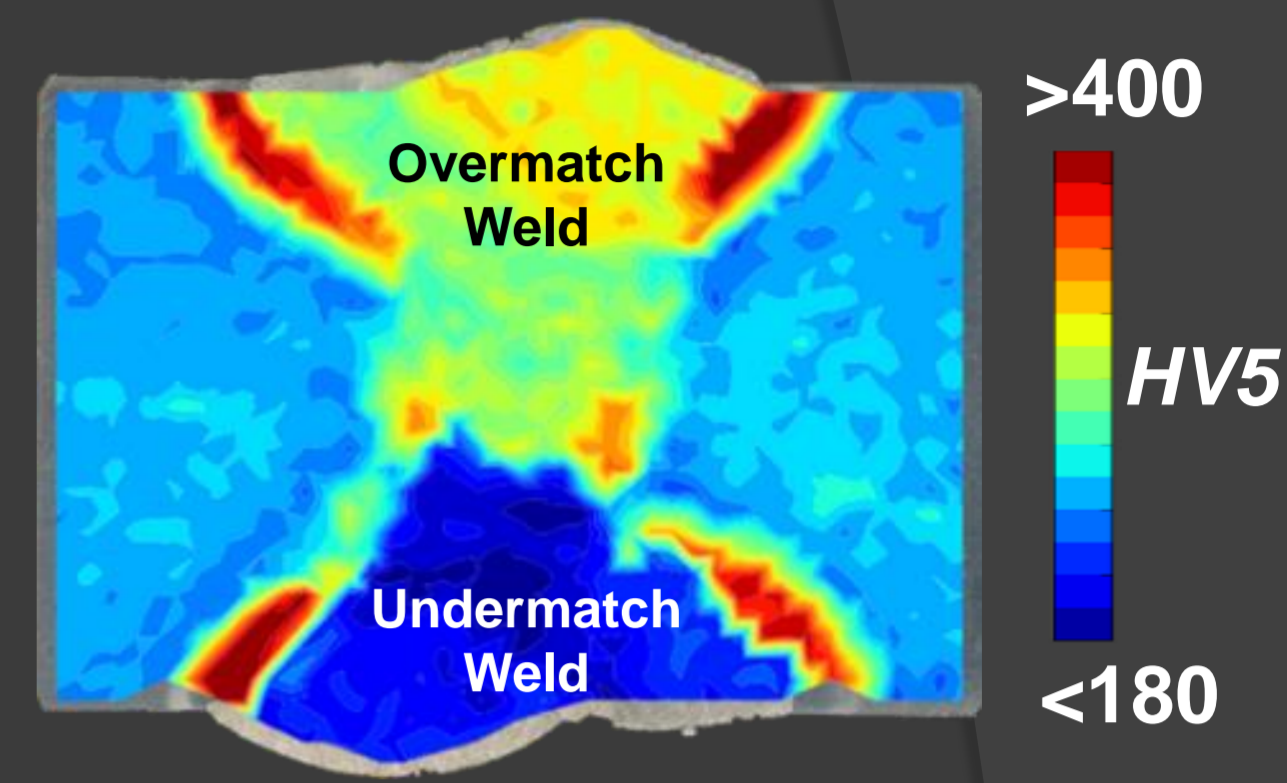
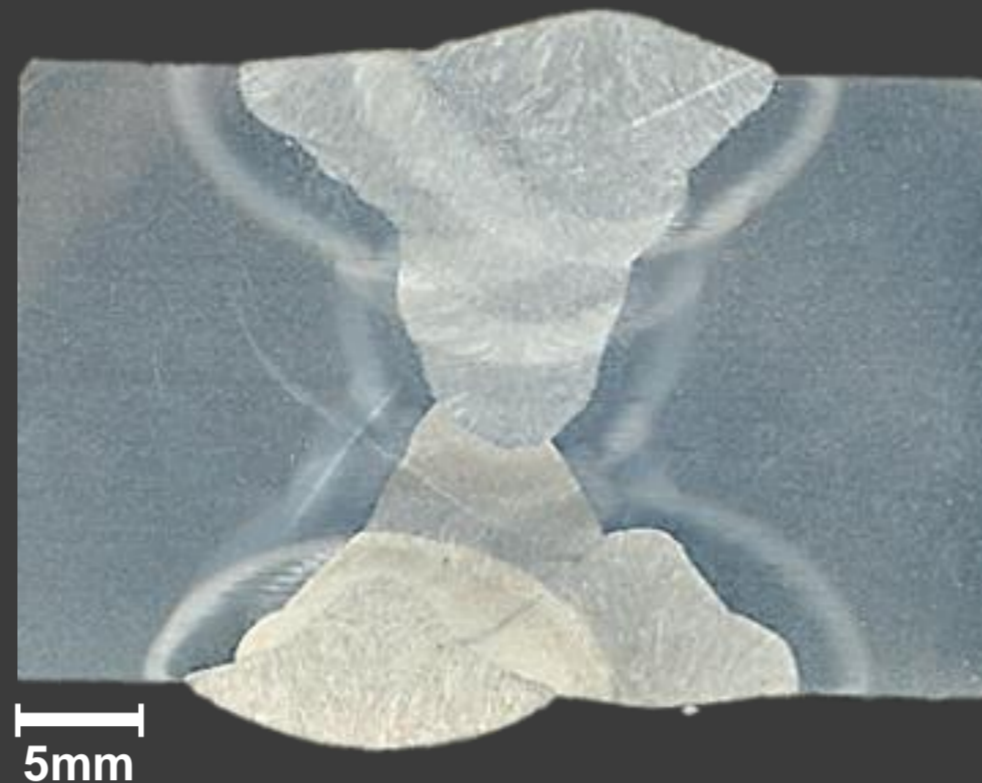
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Welded structures might fail due to large deformations



Welds with intentional high degree of heterogeneity have been produced by University of Maribor

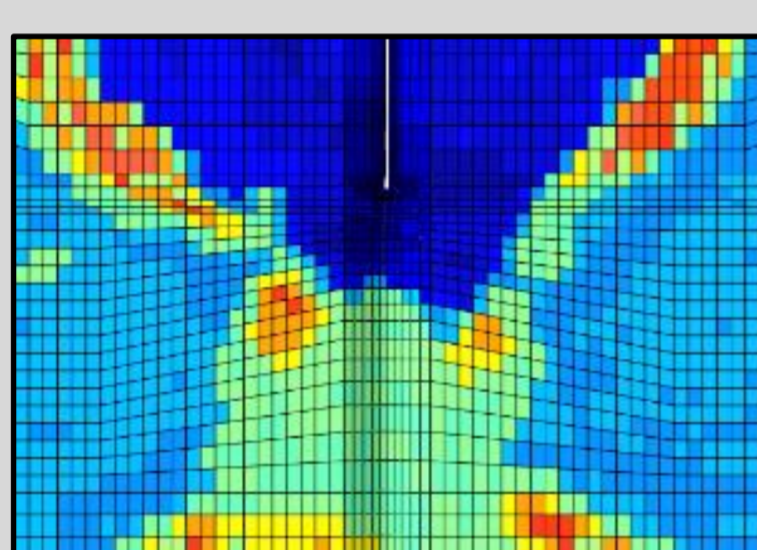


Quantification of weld heterogeneity using hardness map

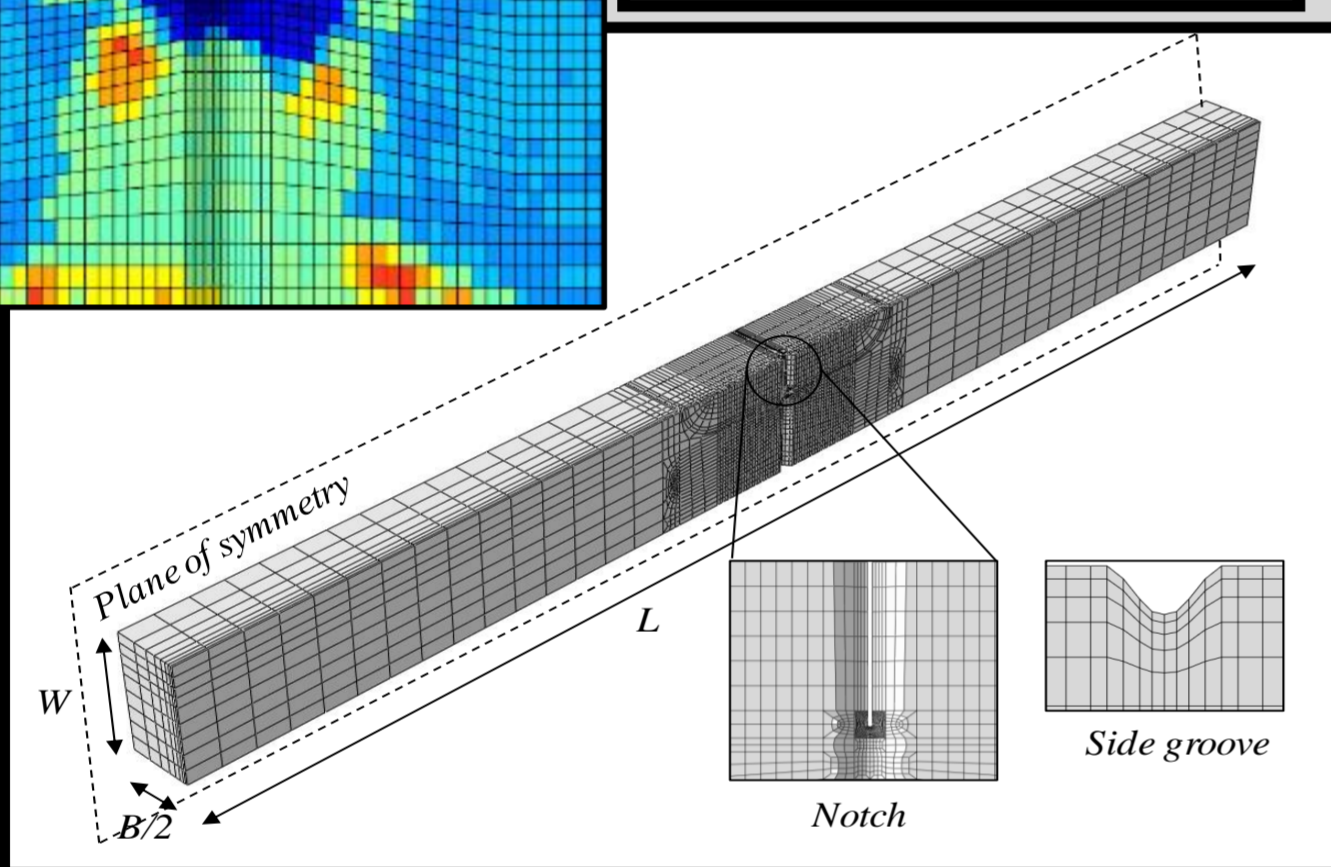
Analysis of plastic deformations plays an important role in assessment of limit loads

Numerical analysis

Experimental analysis



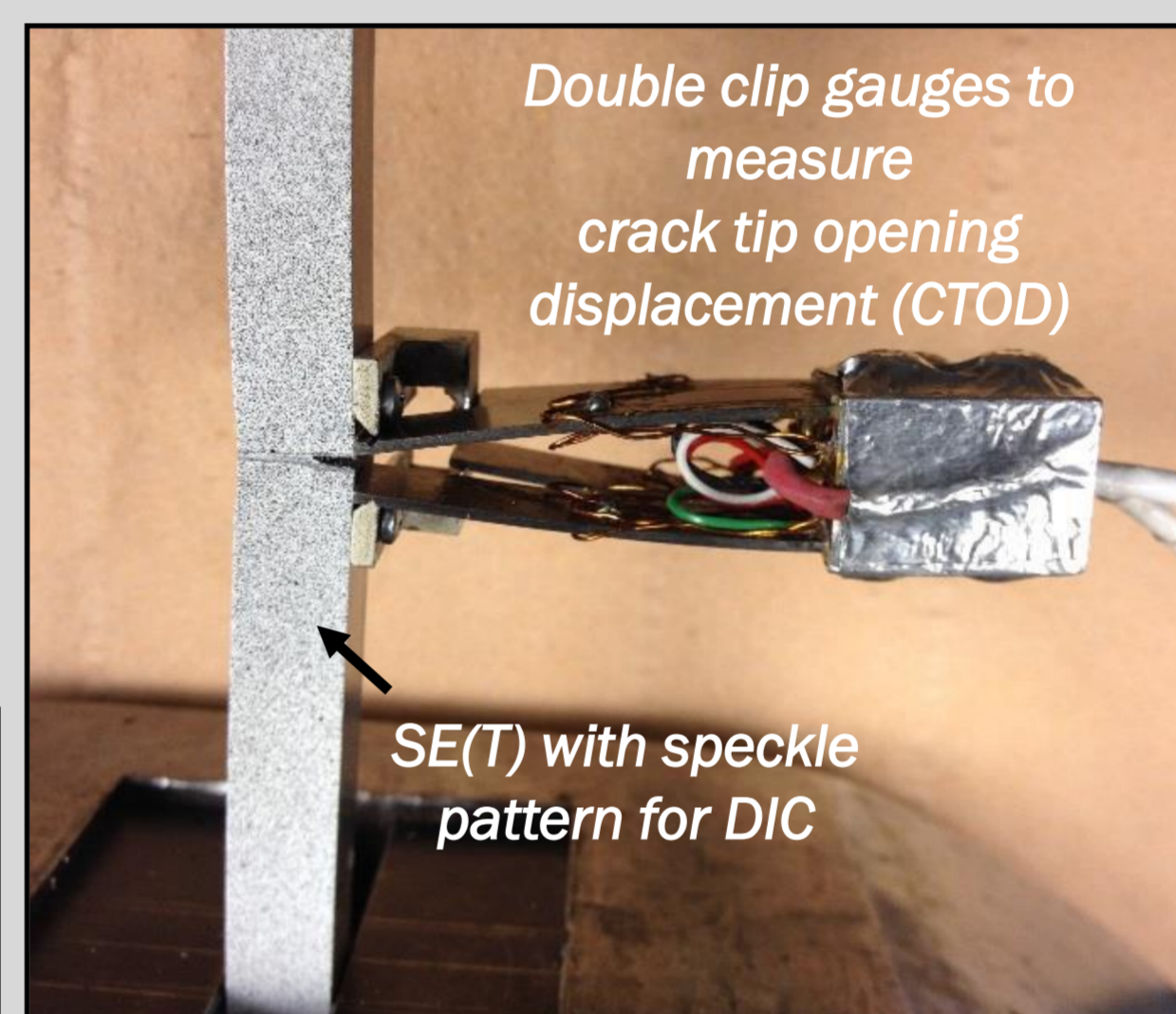
Material properties assigned from HV maps



Single edge notched tension (SE(T)) tests

Mutual validation

Full-field strain analysis to derive paths of maximum equivalent strain



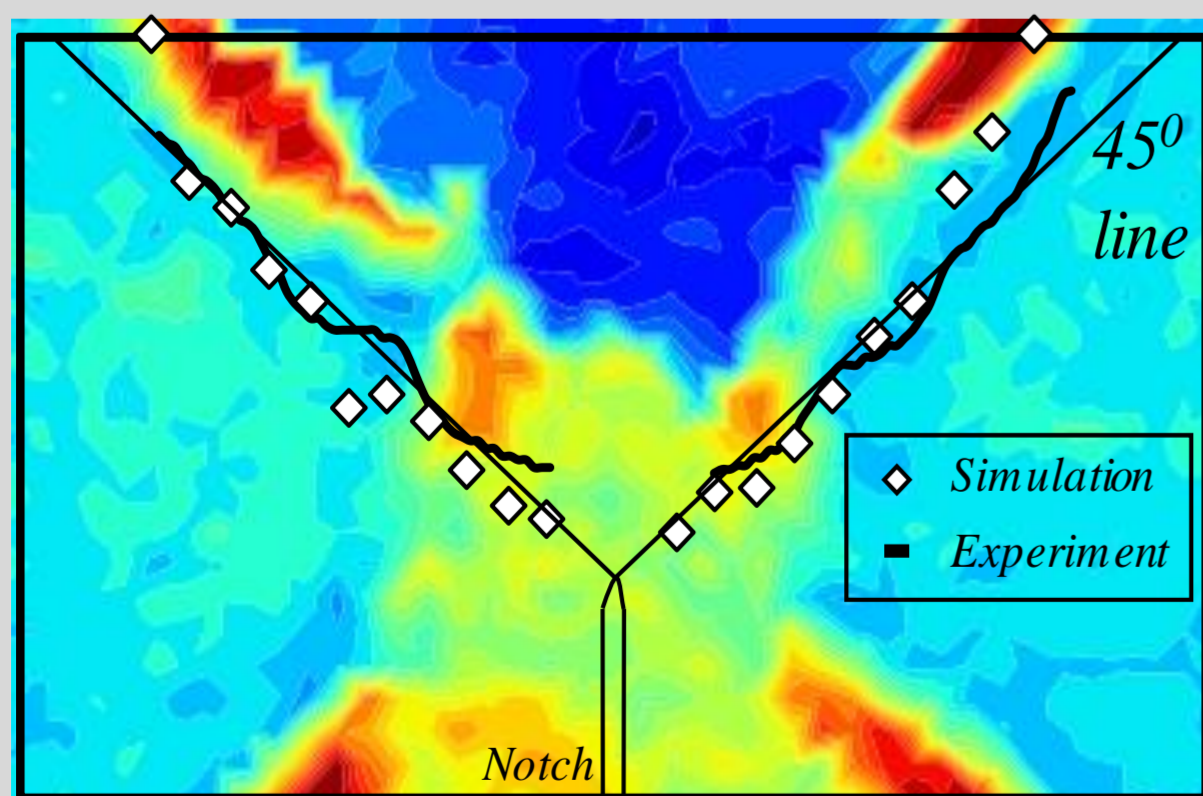
Double clip gauges to measure crack tip opening displacement (CTOD)

SE(T) with speckle pattern for DIC

Finite element model having complex strength heterogeneity

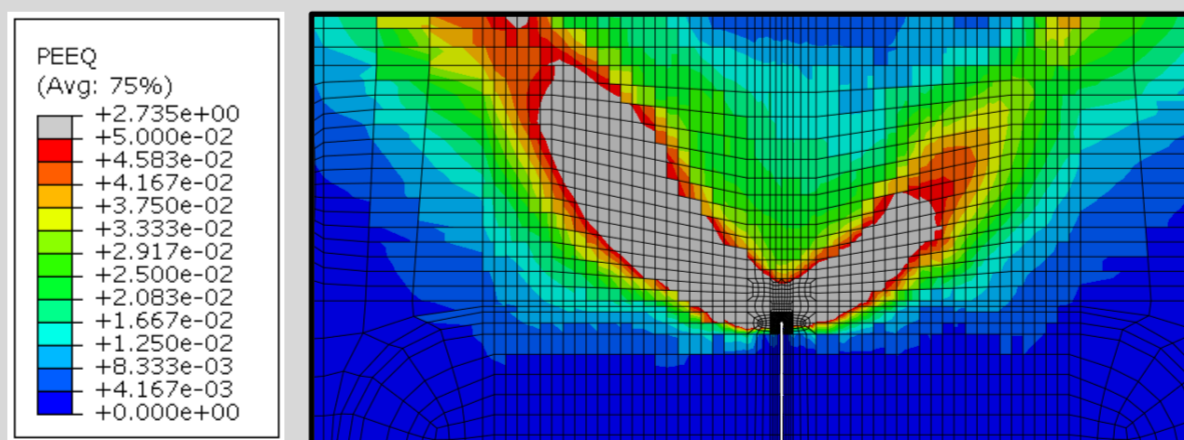
Digital Image Correlation (DIC) used to acquire deformations

Numerical results show good agreement with experiments

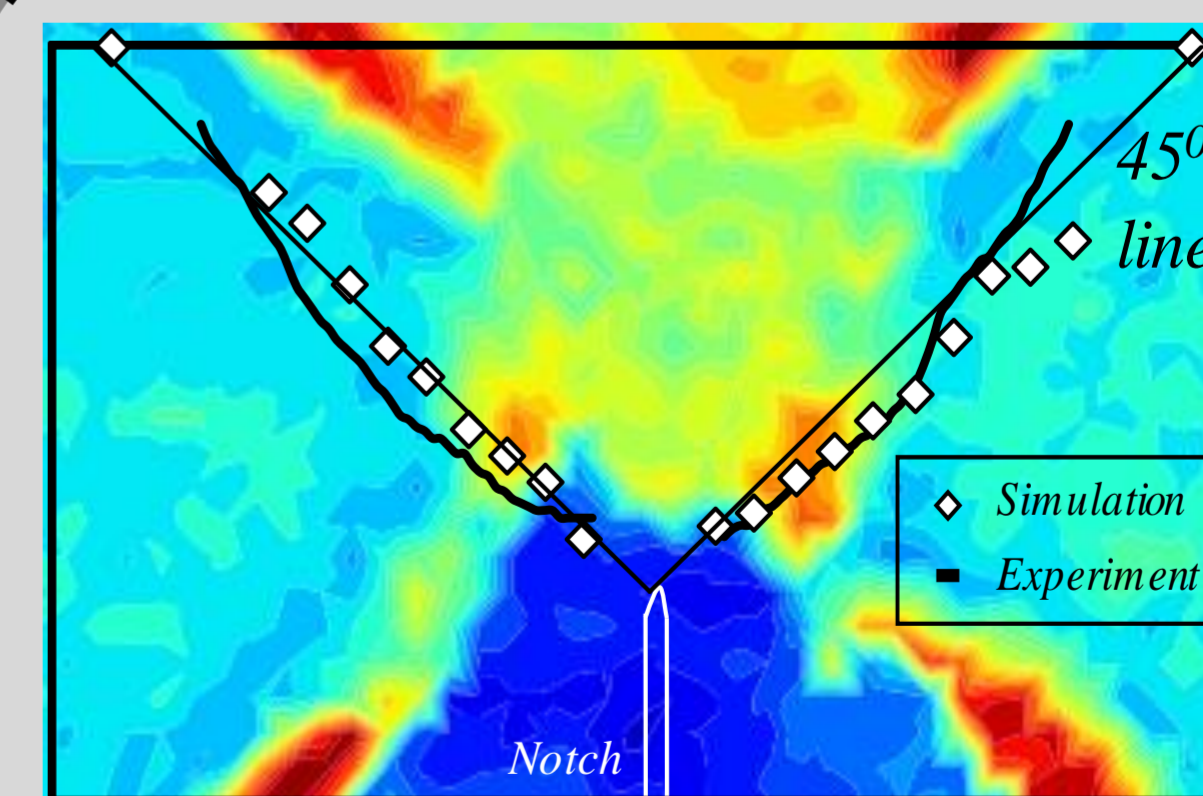
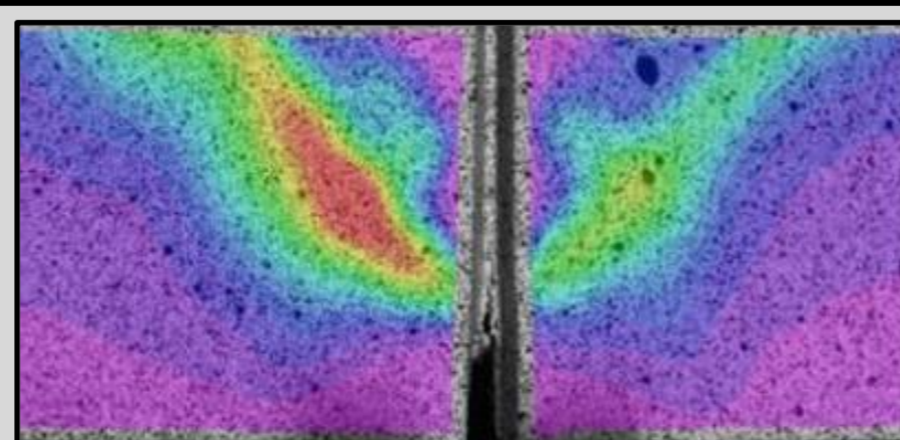


SE(T) test for notch located in Overmatching region

Plastic strains in simulations



Plastic strains in experiments



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Study offers insight to include weld heterogeneity in simplified integrity assessment